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Molecules Associated with Plants and Uses Thereof for Plant Improvement

Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other

Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed March 1, 2010, which resulted in Applicants having claims that have been twice or finally rejected.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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